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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 10/025,757; Filed: December 21, 2001  
For: **High-Fat Animal Feed Tub**  
Inventors: Bartle *et al.*  
Our Ref: 1533.6000000/SRL/T-M

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Executed Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) with attached copy of executed Assignment;
2. Executed Power of Attorney from Assignee;
3. Information Disclosure Statement;
4. One page of Form PTO-1449 citing three documents;
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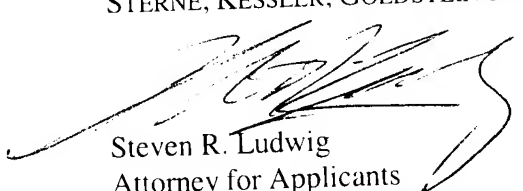
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Respectfully submitted,

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